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Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

Computer generated English translations of all the Japanese patent publications are attached.

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